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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Nika Adham et al.  
Serial No.: 09/116,676 Group Art Unit: 1646  
Filed : July 16, 1998 Examiner: J. Ulm  
For : METHODS OF IDENTIFYING OR SCREENING FOR  
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1185 Avenue of the Americas  
New York, New York 10036  
August 13, 2001

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

PETITION FOR A ONE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby petition for a one month extension of time in connection with the above-identified application, in order to file a continued prosecution application (CPA) of the application. Applicants filed an Amendment in response to an April 13, 2001 Final Office Action on June 26, 2001. However, in an Advisory Action issued July 11, 2001, the Examiner to whom the subject application is assigned indicated that Applicants' June 26, 2001 Amendment will not be entered. The required fee for a one month extension of time is ONE HUNDRED TEN DOLLARS (\$110.00) and a check in this amount is enclosed. With a one month extension of time, a response to the April 13, 2001 Final Office Action is now due August 13, 2001. Accordingly, the subject application is currently pending and applicants are concurrently filing a CPA.

REMARKS

With the filing of this Petition, the subject application is pending and applicants are concurrently filing a CPA. Accordingly, the CPA is being timely filed.

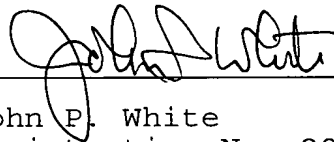
If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing prosecution of the subject application, applicants' undersigned

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attorney invites the Examiner to telephone him at the number provided below.

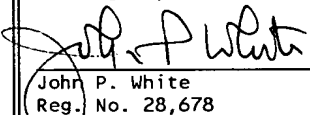
No fee, other than the enclosed \$110.00 fee for a one month extension of time, is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Petition. However, if an additional fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of any such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

Respectfully submitted,



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